

TRIPLET PREGNANCY WITH TWO POPYRACEOUS FETUSES

(A Case Report)

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Introduction

A rare case of monozygotic triplet delivery where two of the fetuses were popyraceous and third was a healthy male baby is being reported because of its rarity.

CASE REPORT

Mrs. S. 24 years primigravida was admitted in labour with 40 weeks pregnancy. There was history of spotting per vaginum at 14 weeks gestation for which ultrasonography was done which diagnosed triplet pregnancy.

On P/A examination, uterus was of term size single foetus could be palpated with cephalic

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presentation. U.S.G. was repeated which showed two foetuses, one of them was of term gestation with BPD of 9.5 cms and FHS 140/min. regular, other foetus showed intrauterine death. In plain X-ray abdomen the dead foetus, much smaller in size with palding sign positive, was seen in fundal area. One more illdefined radio-opaque shadow was seen near to this foetus. After 12 hours of labour a full term male baby was delivered as vertex, cord clamped and cut. On P/V examination lower edge of placenta was felt and along with it irregular foetal parts could be palpated. After 2 minutes, placenta was expelled spontaneously. To the placenta, two dead popyraceous foetuses were attached (Figure 1). Uterine cavity was empty. No PPH. Out of triplets first was a healthy male baby weighing 2.8 kg, second was a male foetus popyraceous weighing 250 gms. Third was again a male foetus popyraceous weighing 150 gms.

Placenta weighed 750 gms and it was monochorionic and tri-amniotic.

See Fig. on Art Paper 1